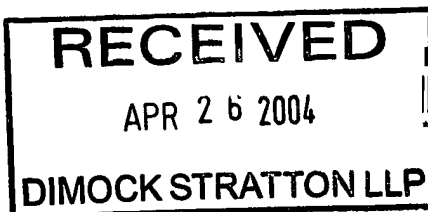


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### Items Required To Avoid Abandonment:

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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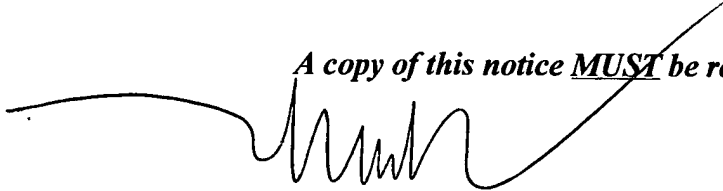
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application dated April 19, 2004 (copy enclosed), we enclose the following documents for filing in this application:

- 1) Petition (in duplicate) for 3-month extension of time for responding to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application;
- 2) Declaration/Power of Attorney document signed by Detlef Stoetzel;
- 3) Petition to accept a patent application filed on behalf of one or more non-signing inventors;
- 4) Affidavit of Jenna Wilson; and
- 5) Letter to the Official Draftsperson and substitute formal drawings of Figures 1 to 9B, which are in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 and 37 CFR 1.121. No new matter has been added to the drawings.

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Fee Payments  
Copy of Notice to File Missing Parts of Application  
Declaration and Power of Attorney executed by Detlef Stoetzel  
Petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a)  
Affidavit of Jenna Wilson  
Letter to Official Draftsperson with substitute formal drawings of Figs. 1-9B

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